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In re Application of
Ramesh et al.
Application No. 09/764,673
Filed: January 18, 2001
Attorney Docket No. 42035-06

This decision concerns the June 27, 2003 "Petition under 37 CFR 1.181 for Recision of Notice of Abandonment."

The petition is **GRANTED**.

On November 20, 2002, a non-final Office action was mailed, setting forth a 3-month shortened statutory reply period.

On June 18, 2003, a Notice of Abandonment was mailed, stating that the application had become abandoned for failure to timely respond to the November 20, 2002 non-final Office Action.

The instant petition asserts that a reply to the November 20, 2002 non-final Office Action was mailed on March 20, 2003 along with a request for a 1-month extension of the time and the extension-of-time fee, and, according to Assignee's postcard receipt date-stamped by the USPTO, was received in the USPTO on March 26, 2003.

The Office has located in the application file an amendment bearing a March 20, 2003 Certificate of Mailing, and a "Request for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a)," authorizing the USPTO to charge the \$110 1-month extension-of-time fee to Deposit Account No. 07-1765. The fee was processed on March 31, 2003.

In view of the above, the petition is granted. No petition fee is owed.

The holding of abandonment in this application is withdrawn.

The June 18, 2003 Notice of Abandonment is hereby vacated.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 3700 for review of the amendment filed on March 26, 2003.

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